GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

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INTERNATIONAL SIZE SHIPYARD
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal has been forwarded by the Government of Tamil Nadu to the Union Government for setting up of an International size Shipyard;

(b) if so, the details thereof with the estimated cost and the locations identified for setting up of the same; and

(c) the time by which the work for the above shipyard is likely to be started and the expected time of completion and its features thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING(SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a) to (c): Central Government had set up a Committee under the Chairmanship of Chairman, Indian Ports Association(IPA.) for facilitating setting up of two international size shipyards. Based on a request of the Chairman, I.P.A, to all coastal States, State Government of Tamil Nadu had recommended setting up of an international size shipyard in a location near Chithirapetai near Cuddalore

However,the Committee recommended setting up of two international size shipyards at Mundra and Pipavav in Gujarat on West Coast and Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh and Tuticorin/Ennore in Tamil Nadu on East Coast.

Meanwhile, Private investors have already gone ahead with plans to create new international size shipyards. On the West Coast, Pipavav Shipyard has come up with sufficient capacity to build Very Large Crude Carriers (VLCC). On the East Coast, M/s L&T has announced plans and reportedly acquired land for a large shipyard near Chennai.